

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1023, Travel Promotion Act.

Senator Mel Martinez, of Florida, submitted a letter of resignation from the United States Senate.

House and Senate met in a Joint Session to receive a message from the President of the United States.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S9143–S9191*

**Measures Introduced:** Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1655–1657, and S. Res. 256–257. **Page S9186**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 1308 to reauthorize the Maritime Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 111–73) **Page S9186**

**Measures Passed:**

**Travel Promotion Act:** By 79 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. 272), Senate passed S. 1023, to establish a non-profit corporation to communicate United States entry policies and otherwise promote leisure, business, and scholarly travel to the United States, as amended, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S9153–66, S9170–72**

**Adopted:**

Reid (for Dorgan/Rockefeller) Amendment No. 1347, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S9153, S9170**

**Withdrawn:**

Reid Amendment No. 1348 (to Amendment No. 1347), to change the enactment date.

**Pages S9153, S9170**

Reid Amendment No. 1349 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1347), to change the enactment date. **Pages S9153, S9170**

Reid Amendment No. 1350 (to Amendment No. 1349), of a perfecting nature. **Pages S9153, S9170**

**Congressional Gold Medal:** Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1243, to provide for the award of a gold medal on behalf of Congress to Arnold Palmer in recognition of his service to the Nation in promoting excellence and good sportsman-

ship in golf, and the bill was then passed, clearing the measure for the President. **Page S9189**

**Majority Party Membership:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 257, to constitute the majority party's membership on certain committees for the One Hundred Eleventh Congress, or until their successors are chosen. **Page S9189**

**Reserve Officers Association Modernization Act—Referral Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. 1599, to amend title 36, United States Code, to include in the Federal charter of the Reserve Officers Association leadership positions newly added in its constitution and bylaws, and the bill then be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Page S9189**

**Appointment Correction—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Record reflect that the appointment of General Michael Hayden to the Public Interest Declassification Board, made during the adjournment of the Senate, was made by the Republican Leader rather than the Majority Leader. **Page S9190**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting the President's address delivered to a Joint Session of Congress on September 9, 2009 relative to health care legislation; which was ordered to lie on the table. (PM–29) **Pages S9179–83**

**Removal of Injunction of Secrecy:** The injunction of secrecy was removed from the following treaty:

Protocol Amending Tax Convention with France (Treaty Doc. No. 111–4).

The treaty was transmitted to the Senate today, considered as having been read for the first time, and